

E-mail Update – 3FF/Talmadge

Hello. My name is Matt Norton and this email is a public information bulletin for the City of San Diego Utilities Undergrounding Program. Thank you for your interest in the Utilities Undergrounding Program and specifically the project that is currently taking place in your neighborhood.

This is the 31st e-mail update in an ongoing series of e-mail updates we are providing to you in our attempt to keep the Talmadge community aware of the progress of the Utilities Undergrounding Program in the 3FF Project Block. At this point in the project, you will receive e-mail updates when significant events occur.

The new underground system is fully energized and the process to “cut-over” customers to the new electrical system is nearing completion. We anticipate this process will move very swiftly and it’s not nearly as disruptive or distracting as the trenching work.

SDG&E is 99% complete with cut-over work and they are 100% complete with cabling activities.

Cox Communications is 100% complete with cabling, cut-over and overhead line removal activities.

In February 2010, AT&T began their portion of work in Project Block 3FF/Talmadge. **They are 100% complete with their portion of the cabling work, 85% complete with customer cut-overs and completed 75% of the overhead line removal.** AT&T’s completion date has been modified as a result of the recent rainstorms and a need to do extensive retrenching throughout Project Block 3FF. They are scheduled to be complete with all work by April 30, 2011. We apologize for this delay and are working to complete this portion of the underground activities as quickly as possible.

Decorative acorn streetlights will be installed on behalf of the Talmadge Maintenance Assessment District. In order to avoid any service disruptions to the existing streetlights, the overhead electric utility lines must remain in place while the decorative acorn streetlights are being installed. The installation of the decorative acorn streetlights will be completed by the end of 2011. Once the streetlights are installed, the overhead electric utility lines will be removed.

There is still 1 residence in the 3FF Project Block that needs to make a correction to their service or property. We are working with this property owner to resolve their correction issue. This correction is minor. However, the correction needs to be completed before we can cut this property owner over to the new underground system. **Any property owners who are not cut-over to the new underground system risk loss of service when the overhead system is removed.**

If you are unsure about the status of your property or your street, please e-mail or call me and I will share current project information. I can be reached at (619) 533-3841 or at undergrounding@sandiego.gov.

A video on the Utilities Undergrounding Program can be seen by visiting our web site at www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding and clicking on video. By watching it, you can see all the processes associated with our work and gain a better understanding of what is involved in completing those processes.